



CITY OF SAN DIEGO

INTER-DEPARTMENTAL COMMUNICATION

DATE 8-19-35

FROM Chief of Police Geo. M. Sears

TO R. W. Flack, City Manager

NO. SUBJECT Tavern Hacienda Complaint

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

I am in receipt of your instructions regarding report on complaints regarding Tavern Hacienda.

In reply I wish to state that the district in which this place is located is semi-residential. Since the opening of this place there have been complaints from people in the vicinity, ranging from attendant noises inside and from patrons in the street, to illicit practices in the conduct. As a consequence, it has been under constant surveillance by the Police, both as to the conduct within and the regulation of patrons on the streets adjacent. Arrests have been made when warranted.

So far as known there has been nothing as to the conduct of the place which was in violation of the law and the license under which it is operated, that was sufficient to sustain a revocation of the license. This matter was the subject of a previous hearing before the City Council and was brought out fully at that time.

The present petition complains specifically of the noise coming from this place, and there can be no question but that there is such. The nature of this business entails certain unavoidable noises by reason of the music which is especially noticeable in the summertime when all windows are open. It is also true that there are street noises due to the starting of cars, which in the early morning hours is particularly noticeable and which cannot be ordinarily regulated by arrest. Honking of horns, loud and boisterous conversation at such times has been consistently frowned upon by police and as far as possible has been definitely regulated.

From reports of officers detailed by me I have to conclude that the complaints are due and possibly justified as to the noise, but that it is a matter of location rather than the conduct of the business and that the redress of complainants is under the State law governing public nuisances, which may be either prosecuted criminally or civilly, inasmuch as this Department has not at this time any evidence to present to sustain an action in Court as to violation of law, other than attendant noises as before mentioned.

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For your consideration you will find enclosed herewith
petitions and correspondence covering both sides of this
controversy.

GEO. M. SEARS,
CHIEF OF POLICE

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ALLEN H. WRIGHT
CLARK M. FOOTE, JR.

Communication from Chief of
Police re conditions at Tavern
Hacienda.

To Attorney
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